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Examiner: Scott Haugland

Title: TAKE-UP REEL WITH UNI-DIRECTIONAL SPEED GOVERNED RETRACTOR

AMENDMENT

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Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated December 17, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

In the Abstract:

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

ABSTRACT

**{~~TAKE-UP REEL WITH UNI-DIRECTIONAL
SPEED GOVERNORED RETRACTOR~~}**

A take-up reel for winding and storing an elongate hose or electrical cable comprises a reel ~~{supported by a stationary support shaft and urged in a first direction}~~ **that is rewound** by a torsional spring. A viscous clutch ~~{assembly comprising multiple disks housed in a chamber~~